

**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS**  
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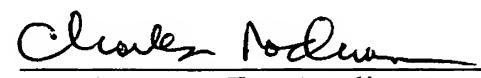
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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)**

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**SUBMISSION OF INVENTOR'S DECLARATION**

Sir:

This application was filed without an Inventor's Declaration on August 4, 2006. The Notification of Missing Requirements requesting the Declaration has not yet been received. The filing receipt has not yet been received.

The undersigned attorney believes that the Inventor's Declaration can be filed without waiting to receive the Notification of Missing Requirements.

Accordingly, Applicant encloses the following documents:

- 1) Simplified Declaration for Patent Application using an Application Data Sheet; and
- 2) Application Data Sheet

The surcharge fee of \$65 (small entity) for late filing the Declaration for Patent Application was submitted with the application as filed.

It is respectfully submitted that the enclosed Declaration and Application Data Sheet fulfill the outstanding requirement for acceptance of this application under 35 USC §371. Therefore, the Notification of Acceptance and an official Filing Receipt are respectfully requested.

Please charge any fees necessary in connection with this submission to our Deposit Account No. 18-1743.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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